(a) what was the number of delegations sent to foreign countries, which were sponsored by his Ministry during the last three years;

(b) what was the total amount spent on these delegations yearwise and delegation-wise;

(c) what were the objectives and to what extent were these objectives achieved; and

(d) whether there is any proposal to restrict the visit of such delegations abroad ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House as soon as possible.

(d) Instructions have been issued to all Ministries/Departments that the expenditure on foreign travel during 1990-91 should be limited to 75% of the actual expenditure in 1989-90 or current year's budget provision, whichever is less.

Grant of extension in service to the ITDC Chief

3453. SHRI T. A. MOHAMMED SAQHY :
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY :

Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Government had granted an extension in service to ITDC Chief;

(b) if so, what was the period of extension and what were the reasons for granting extension;

(c) whether it is a fact that the ITDC chief has tendered his resignation recently; if so, what are the reasons for his sudden resignation; and

(d) whether the resignation has been accepted; if so, who is the next incumbent and if not, what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI SATYA PAL MALIK) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The period of extension was 6 months during which the selection of a successor is to be finalised.

(c) Yes, Sir. Shri R. K. Lakshman C&MD, ITDC has tendered his resignation dated 8-8-1990 on ground of compelling personal reasons.

(d) The resignation has been accepted and shall be effective from the afternoon of 14-9-1990. Action has been initiated in consultation with PESB for the selection of the new incumbent.

Advances made by NABARD under different heads

3456. DR. YELAMANCHILI SHIVAJI : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development has for the Rabi season of 1987-88 advanced Rs. 448 crores of refinance for IRDP scheme, Rs. 19 crores for forestry and Rs. 1979 crores to co-operatives and Regional Rural Banks for financing crop production;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Bank has exempted agricultural loans upto Rs. 25,000/- from penal interest in addition to conversion/reschedulement of crop loans in case of drought/flood hit areas; if so, what are the details thereof statewise; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that for 1988-89, the projected total refinance by the Bank is said to be Rs. 4760 crores under different heads; if so, what is the Statewise break up of these project outlays separately ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI) : (a) to (c) National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) had released the following refinance assistance during 1987-88 for financing the crop production :—

(i) Rs. 447.90 crores for IRDP;

(ii) Rs. 19.13 crores for forestry;

(iii) Sanctioned credit limits of Rs. 1999.69 crores to State Cooperative Banks;

(iv) Sanctioned Credit limits of Rs. 307.59 crores to Regional Rural Banks.

NABARD has decided that the banks shall not charge penal interest on individual agricultural loans upto Rs. 25,000/- borrowed during each of the three or more years of consecutive drought/flood ending with 1987-88.

The Statewise break-up of the disbursements/sanctions of finance from NABARD for the year 1987-1988 is given at *Annexure* [*See* Appendix IV, Annexure No. 124].

A further statement showing state-wise projected and annual disbursements limits sanctioned to State Cooperative Banks, Regional Rural Banks and State Governments during 1988-89 is given at *Annexure* [*See* Appendix CLV, Annexure No. 125].

Appointment of shipping Development fund Committee by SCICI

3455. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Shipping Credit Investment Company of India Ltd. (SCICI) have appointed designated person for erstwhile Shipping Development Fund Committee;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the Shipping Development Fund Committee disbursed loans for shipping companies and also for Deep Sea fishing companies;

(c) if so, since when SCICI have started acting as designated person for Shipping Development Fund Comittee;

(d) what is the amount outstanding as on date towards principal and interest for shipping companies and deep sea fishing companies, separately;

(e) what is the amount granted as waiver or by way of writing off loans and interest for fishing and shipping companies separately; and

(f) what are the names of such companies and details thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI) : (a) Shipping Credit & Investment Company of India Limited (SCICI) is the designated person of the Central Government appointed pursuant to the provisions of the Shipping Development Fund Committee (Abolition) Act, 1986 to monitor the affairs of the erstwhile Shipping Development Fund Committee (SDFC).

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) with effect from April 3, 1987.

(d) The amount outstanding towards Principal and Interest as on June 30, 1990 in respect of shipping and deep-sea fishing companies assisted by erstwhile SDFC is as follows :—

(Rs. in Crores)

	Principal	Interest	Total
Shipping Companies	740.22	120.62	860.84
Deep-sea fishing Companies .	86.40	18.38	104.78

(e) There has been on waiver or writing off of loans and interest for shipping and deep-sea fishing companies in respect of the loans availed by them from the erstwhile Shipping Development Fund Committee (SDFC).

(f) The question does not arise.

Cases filed against Management of State Bank of India, Regional Office, Meerut (U.P.)

3456. SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :